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THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.
ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP " 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED " 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND " 9,000,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies:
TOKIO, KOBE,
NAGASAKI, LONDON,
LYONS, NEW YORK,
SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU,
BOMBAY, SHANGHAI,
TIENTIN, NEWCHWANG,
PEKING.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LTD.
PARKS' BANK, LTD.
THE UNION OF LONDON AND
SMITHS BANK, LTD.

HONGKONG BRANCH.—INTEREST ALLOWED
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent
per Annum on the Daily Balance.

On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

" 6 " 4 "

TARO HODSUMI,

Manager.
Hongkong, 11th March, 1903. [10]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND—
Sterling Reserve \$10,000,000 } \$16,000,000
Silver Reserve \$6,000,000 }
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPORTIONS \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
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MANAGER:
Shanghai—H. M. BEVIS.
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BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG.—INTEREST ALLOWED
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent
per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2½ per cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3 per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per Annum.

J. R. M. SMITH,

Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 17th August, 1903. [13]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ per
cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1903. [14]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorised Capital \$1,000,000
Paid up Capital " 324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Board of Directors—
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. J. Scott Harston, Esq.
Chow Tong Shang, Esq. J. Lauts, Esq.
Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5%
Hongkong, 12th May, 1903. [15]

THE DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Sh. Taels 5,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES: Calcutta, Hankow,
Tientsin, Tsin-tau (Kiautschou)

LONDON BANKERS:
Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS,
LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LTD.
DEUTSCHE BANK(BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY
DIRECTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account,
DEPOSITS received on terms which may be
learned on application. Every description of
Banking and Exchange business transacted.

H. SUTER,
Sub-Manager.
Hongkong, 23rd July, 1902. [16]

Military Band during dinner on Saturday Nights.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1900. [19]

GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF
NEW YORK
(AMERICAN BANK).

ESTABLISHED 1864.

PAID UP CAPITAL U.S. Gold
SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS \$5,180,000

Gold \$7,180,000

Head Office—NEW YORK.

LONDON OFFICE:
33 and 35, Lombard Street, E.C.

F. C. Bishop, Manager, Eastern Department.

LONDON BANKERS:
PARIS' BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG OFFICE:
4, DES VŒUX ROAD.

General Banking and Exchange business
transacted.

INTEREST ALLOWED
On Current Accounts at 2% per annum.

On Fixed Deposits:

For 3 months 2½% per annum.

" 6 " 3½ "

" 12 " 4% "

E. F. GROS,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1902. [698d]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING
CORPORATION.

HEAD OFFICE—NEW YORK.

FISCAL AGENTS FOR THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA IN CHINA AND THE
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Capital paid in Gold \$4,000,000 \$80,000
Surplus (Reserve) Gold \$4,000,000 \$80,000

Total Gold \$8,000,000 \$1,640,000

Capital and Surplus authorised, Gold \$10,000,000

= £2,055,000

LONDON BANKERS:

THE NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF
ENGLAND, LIMITED.

THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S
BANK, LIMITED.

The Corporation buys and sells Bills of
Exchange, issue Letters of Credit and carries
on every description of Banking and Exchange
business. Money received on Current Deposit
Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum
on the daily balances, and on Fixed Deposit
as follows:

For 12 months, 4% per annum.

" 6 " 3½ "

" 3 " 3% "

HONGKONG BRANCH:
20, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL.

CHARLES R. SCOTT,
Manager.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1903. [100c]

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE
OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai Taels.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL 5,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL 2,500,000

Head Office—SHANGHAI.

Branches and Agencies.

CANTON. PENANG.

CHEFOO. SINGAPORE.

HANKOW. TIENSIN.

PEKING.

The Bank purchases and receives for collection
Bills of Exchange drawn on the above
places, and Sales Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers
Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

Advances made on approved securities

Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

3% per Annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.

4% " " 6 " "

5% " " 12 " "

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.

Hongkong, 12th August, 1903. [12]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £80,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-HOLDERS £80,000

RESERVE FUND £725,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.

" 6 " 3½ "

" 3 " 2½ "

T. P. COCHRANE,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1903. [11]

Advertis.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAMERS. TO SAIL ON REMARKS.

LONDON, &c. { VALETTA Noon, 29th } See Special
{ W. B. Palmer, R.N.R. } August Advertisement.

VOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, { BORNEO About 4th } Freight and
MOJI and KOBE, { D. C. Gregor, R.N.R. } September Passage.
(Passing through the Island Sea.)

LONDON and ANTWERP VIA { SUMATRA About 18th } Freight and
SINGAPORE, PENANG, { COLOMBO, PORT SAID and } September Passage.
ALSO MARSEILLES W. Haywood, R.N.R. }

For Further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th August, 1903. [14]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKAN LINIE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG;

PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIMORE PORTS.

ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON,
AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS;

Steamers will call at GIBRALTAR and at SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers
and Luggage.

N.E.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the Principal Places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS. SAILING DATES.

*KIAUTSCHOU WEDNESDAY, 2nd September.

BAVERN THURSDAY, 17th September.

ZIETEN WEDNESDAY, 30th September.

SEYDLITZ WEDNESDAY, 14th October.

ROON WEDNESDAY, 28th October.

PREUSSEN WEDNESDAY, 11th November.

PRINZ HEINRICH WEDNESDAY, 25th November.

KONIG ALBERT WEDNESDAY, 9th December.

KIAUTSCHOU WEDNESDAY, 6th January, 1904.

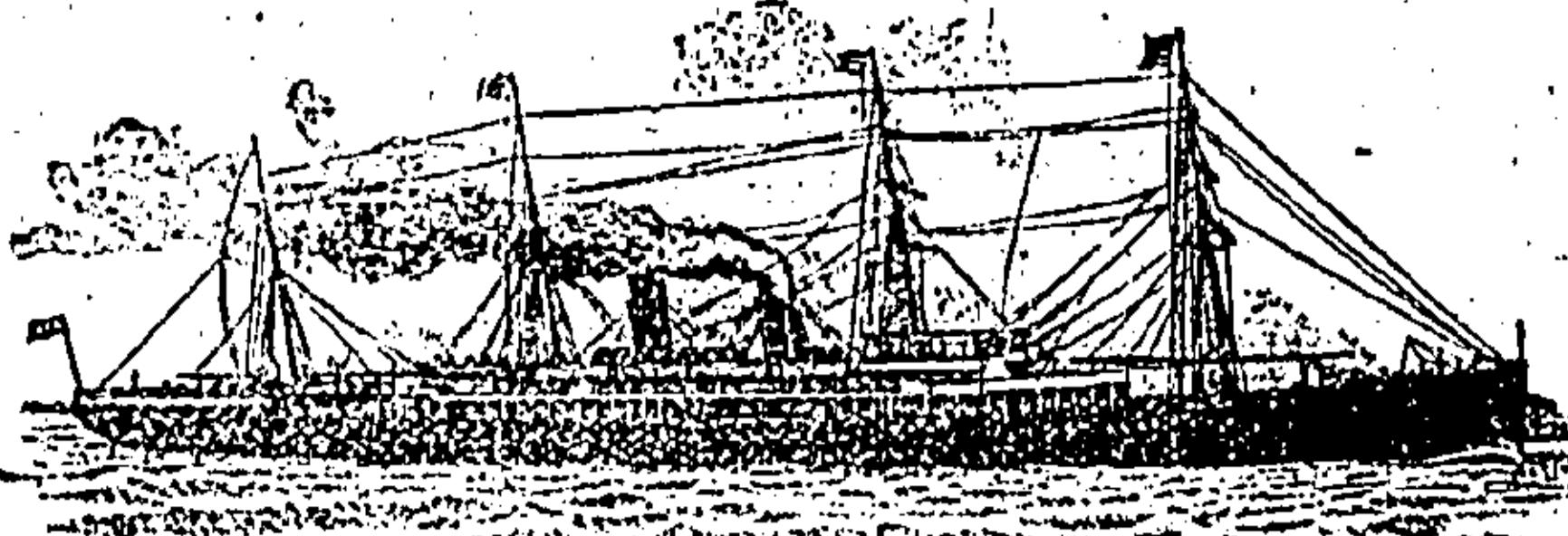
SACHSEN WEDNESDAY, 20th January, 1904.

BAVERN WEDNESDAY, 3rd February, 1904.

SEYDLITZ WEDNESDAY, 17th February, 1904.

Trials.

U.S. MAIL LINES.



PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S.S.,
TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE;

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"DORIC"	TUESDAY, 1st September, at Noon.
"NIPPON MARU"	TUESDAY, 8th September, at Noon.
"SIBERIA"	WEDNESDAY, 16th September, at Noon.
"COPTIC"	SATURDAY, 26th September, at Noon.
"AMERICA MARU"	SATURDAY, 3rd October, at Noon.
"KOREA"	TUESDAY, 13th October, at Noon.
"GAELIC"	TUESDAY, 20th October, at Noon.
"HONGKONG MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 28th October, at Noon.
"OHIMA"	FRIDAY, 6th November, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 12,000 tons, Oct. 18th-28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE O. & O. Company's Steamship "DORIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on TUESDAY, the 1st September, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail Route from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Special rates (First class only) to European Points, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES and CANADIAN POINTS, Special rates (first class only) are confined and will apply only to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic Officials of the Governments of China and Japan.

Return Passage.—Reduction will be made to passengers who do not hold return tickets, making the return journey between ports in the Orient and Honolulu or beyond, within twelve months.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing, Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany each shipment of Cargo or parcel (valued at \$100. Gold or over) destined to Points, beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Companies' Office addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

Merchant's Invoice will be sufficient for cargo or parcel (each shipment) when the value is less than \$100. U.S. Gold.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

E. W. TILDEN, Agent.

Hongkong, 22nd August, 1903.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA
AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.)

"EMPERESS" Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—16,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 Knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).	
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, 23rd September.
"TARTAR" 4,425 "	WEDNESDAY, 7th October.
"EMPERESS OF CHINA" ... 6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 21st October.
"ATHENIAN" 3,882 "	WEDNESDAY, 4th November.
"EMPERESS OF INDIA" ... 6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 18th November.
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 16th December.
"TARTAR" 4,425 "	WEDNESDAY, 30th December.

THE magnificent "EMPERESS" Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA of JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, ("TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" 14 DAYS) saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE in 97 Hours. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return Tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIOUSNESS OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CAR and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to
D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Pedder's Street.

Hongkong, 25th June, 1903.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
OSTASIATISCHER FRAETDAMPFER DIENST.

(Taking Cargo at through Rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE; BLACK SEA AND BALTIQUE PORTS; NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS—	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	Freight.
SITTONIA	HAVRE, ANTWERP, and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	29th August.	Freight.
Hildebrandt	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	13th Sept.	Freight and Passengers.
KONIGSBERG	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	23rd Sept.	Freight.
Mayer	HAVRE and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	6th October.	Freight.
ANDALUSIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	10th October.	Freight.
von Dohren	HAVRE and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	20th October.	Freight.
ABESSINIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	3rd Nov.	Freight.
Fitter	HAVRE and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	10th Nov.	Freight.
BRISGAVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	17th Nov.	Freight.
Schulke	HAVRE and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	24th Nov.	Freight.
SAXONIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	1st Dec.	Freight.
Bleibtreu	HAVRE and HAMBURG (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	8th Dec.	Freight.

For further Particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE
HONGKONG OFFICE,
No. 1, Queen's Building.

Hongkong, 22nd August, 1903.

Shipping Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND
WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM"	2,663 tons; Captain H. D. Jones.
"PO-YAN"	2,338 " G. F. Morrison, R.N.R.
"FAIS LAN"	2,560 " A. W. Dix n.
"HAA-KO-Y"	3,73 " C. V. Boyd.
"KINSHAN"	3,662 " J. J. Edwards.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at about 7 A.M. and 10 A.M. (Sunday excepted) and at about 6 P.M. (Saturday excepted).

Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily (Sunday excepted) at about 8 A.M., 2 P.M. and 5.30 P.M.

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HEUNGSHAN"	1,998 tons, Captain W. E. Clarke.
Departures from Hongkong to Macao daily at about 1 P.M. as per special Schedule.	Sunday Do. from Macao to Hongkong daily at about 7.30 A.M. excepted.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN"	2,19 tons, Captain T. Hamlin.
This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 7.30 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7.30 A.M.	

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K.C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "NANNING"	569 tons, Captain R. D. Thomas.
"SAINAM"	58 " B. Branch.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 A.M., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at about 8 A.M. Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, opposite the Hongkong Hotel, or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1903. [1357]

Intimations.

PORTRAITS, GROUPS, ENLARGING, AND
COPYING IN ALL SIZES.AMATEUR WORK GIVEN SPECIAL
ATTENTION.FULL LINE OF SUPPLIES
ALWAYS IN STOCK.

ORIENTAL COSTUMES AND FANCY DRAPERIES
FURNISHED.

WORK GUARANTEED TO BE
THE BEST IN THE COLONY.

LADIES' SPECIAL TOILET ROOM.

PATRONAGE RESPECTFULLY SOLICITED.

THEY HAVE ARRIVED



Do you know

That HEINZ SWEET PICKLES are entirely different from other Pickles.

That HEINZ SWEET PICKLES are not only safe to eat freely in the tropics but they assist digestion and stimulate the appetite.

That HEINZ SWEET PICKLES are the ideal pickles for the tropics.

That you can buy HEINZ SWEET PICKLES from your grocer or from—

THE MUTUAL STORES and
ANGLO-AMERICAN STORES.

Hong

THE GRANDEUR OF MELODY.

(BY A BANKER.)

Probably the most sublime and magnificent concerted music ever heard on this earth is the rendering of Handel's oratorios at the triennial festival (as recently held) by the choir of about four thousand voices and instruments at the Crystal Palace.

The time-honoured National Anthem having been sung, after a few recitations the double choruses of "Israel in Egypt" are thundered out— "He—spake—the word,—and there came flies, and lice in all their quarters." The entire vast orchestra seems to be enveloped in a swarm of buzz'ing, stinging insects, accompanied by the stridulous burring of the wings of hordes of locusts; while a shudder seems to pass over the thousands of vocalists as they kiss off the rect. I. of the crawling eruption of the noisome vermin.

And then—"He gave them healthnes for rain."—First one side of the orchestra, alone, then the other side, ring out the graphic narration, and, in a moment, with a mighty flood of pulsating melody, every voice, every instrument, unites with the great organ, the deep roar and rattle of drums, and the blasts of trumpets, in thundeing out, with startling resonance, the recital of the awful plague—"Fire, fire, ran along the ground, fire, mingled with the hail, ran along the ground!" And now, after the Egyptian host has perished in the Red Sea, comes the pean of triumph, the exultant chant of praise for deliverance and for victory. "He hath triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath. He thrown into the sea; the Lord shall reign for ever and ever"; the entire trumpet-tongued orchestra pealing forth the stately and august strains of that majestic psalmody and magnificent anthem of thanksgiving.

But of all the choruses, the "Hallelujah," from the "The Messiah" is by far the most transcendently sublime. And truly it must be beyond measure the finest and most reverent and triumphant essay to render adoration to the Eternal which mortal man can ever have attempted. Who can bear the Hallelujah chorus sung by several thousands of voices, accompanied by hundreds of performers on all kinds of instruments, without a very thrill of rapt emotion coursing through his veins, or without experiencing a throb of enraptured soul-stirring ardour. And as the echoes of the glorious harmony resound in all their bewildering magnificence, and the jubilant hosannas rend the air in pealing diapason of solemn majesty, the spell-bound hearers must realize, though but faintly and imperfectly, that if frail man can pro use such sepiachic harmony, the music of the choirs of heaven must indeed be glorious and sublime.

And we come away from the wonderful performance, with the strains of the "passion" choruses still singing in our ears—"With His stripes we are healed," "The Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all," and all those other plaintive and tearful numbers describing the sufferings of the Saviour on our behalf, we must, unless indeed we have a heart of stone, feel that we must then and there fall at His feet and prostrate the love and the ardent adoration of our heart.

TIENSIEN.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

August 11th.

The Empress Dowager has endeavoured to stop gossip by the issue of a popular edict regarding any honorific characters on the occasion of her birthday, as the selection of two more to add to the sixteen she already possesses was under discussion. Each character represents an annual income of Tls. 360,000, the edict therefore saves officials Tls. 720,000 a year; but it does more, it turns public opinion which had been building over with indignation back into the groove of thinking the Empress Dowager is not such a bad sort after all.

While thus soothsaying suspicion to rest she and her crew are carefully prosecuting the anti-progressive crusade, and a veritable time of terror has been introduced by the offer of 3rd class metropolitan rank to any one who will arrest any prominent reform leaders, or the recovery of forfeited rank to those who arrest a particularly notorious and influential man. It will be seen at once that such an offer, though it has only been unofficially notified, will set every man spying on his neighbour, afford boundless opportunity for personal animosity and jealousy to have full play, and for bribery and extortion to reap a rich harvest, and it is to be feared a very great number of unjust arrests will be made. Mea while the luckless first graduate at the recent exams, Linng Tze-yi, who is accused, or at least suspected, of being a Wei connection of Leang Chi-chow, the Kang party journalist who had a paper in Japan, is in prison and has already lost all his scholarly rank. It is uncertain yet what will be done with him. Report is now trying to make out that Shen, when he was being tortured, gave the names of a number of his compatriots who were members of his society, and was about to give the names of 24 officials in Peking when he was strangled. I think we may fairly put all this down to nonsense, as Shen was not the man I think to give his fellow-reformers away. It is also stated the Russian Minister has claimed protecting rights over several minor officials whom he believes might be "attached," but this is also I think unreliable.

The British Consulate here has recently been enlarged slightly and a court room for the first time built. In the olden days before the seige there were no lawyers in Tientsin, and no one minded much whether there was a court room or not. But now there are four or five of the legal fraternity all bound to make business it is of some consequence, so a more or less suitable room has been built. Moreover, the royal arms have been mounted over the gateway, there being nothing hitherto to distinguish the building and entrance.

There is little business doing now and the folks at Peitaiho are much more numerous in consequence.

August 13th.

The lay of the wind in Peking is indicated by the following items:—The Empress Dowager has it in mind to promote Chiu Kwei, the official who caused the late Mr. Shen to be arrested and executed, to the rank of Chief President of Government Boards; also to give the Chief of Police who carried out his orders a civil appointment. Prince Chinchia at a recent audience protested very strongly against such an unwise policy, but his petition was received in strong silence and he was permitted to rise from his knees and go away without any indication that his words had had any effect. That the protest was useless and that the Imperial mind is reluctantly fixed upon a reckless course may be inferred from the sur her report that another list of reformers or so-called secret society men has been sent out from the Palace, while telegrams have been despatched in all directions ordering the immediate arrest of all the 40 men mentioned therein. In addition, offers of rank have been made to those arresting any prominent reformers, and promises of restored rank and position to degraded officials for the same service. Added to all this comes a report which has unfortunately a strong smack of probability about it, namely, that in future no Cantonese, Fukienese, Hananese or other variety of Southerners shall receive either appointment or promotion. If this is true it is virtually a challenge to the South thrown down by the North, and if the South takes it up woe betide China. Who can blame the South if it does? I must say my sympathies are wholly Chinese as distinct from the Manchu and Northerner. It may be a blow aimed by his enemies at Viceroy Yuan Shikai who has surrounded himself with shrewd Cantonese officials, and marked himself as suspicious in consequence.

Marshal Su, who is now in the hands of the Board of Punishments, has been confined in the very chamber where poor Shen was beaten to death, and none of the traces of the foul murder had been removed. Whichever way the wretched official looked he saw the blood of the martyred journalist with its mute tale of horror, and he could not stand it. He managed to secure Tls. 800 and bribed the runners to put him into some other room. This idea is bound to take on, and the torture chamber will doubtless prove a veritable gold mine to the inhuman vultures of the Yamen, till the gory stories become invisible through dirt.

The French Minister is again teasing the Yamen about Viceroy Tseung fulfilling all the promised privileges given by Wang Tze Chun and the Wai Wu-pu is fencing behind pleated ignorance of what these privileges were, and promises to investigate.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from BRUCE SHEPHERD, Esq., I.S.O., to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 29th August, 1903, at 2:30 P.M., within his residence,

"HAYTOR," 24, PLANTATION ROAD, PEAK, THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, therein contained, comprising:—

TEAKWOOD CABINETS, SIDEBOARD with BEVELLED GLASS, DINNER WAGON, TEAKWOOD DRESSING TABLES with BEVELLED GLASS, HAT-STAND, DOUBLE IRON BEDSTEAD with WIRE MATTRESSES, CROCKERY and GLASSWARE, PICTURES, CHAIRS, &c., &c.; N.B.—Attention is drawn to several pieces of this Furniture, viz.—Two Cabinets, Sideboard, Dinner Wagon, Two Dressing Tables, Hat-Stand, &c., as they were recently manufactured to the Vendor's order in Teakwood from specially selected designs and are practically new.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers, Hongkong, 24th August, 1903. [1029e]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 31st day of August, 1903, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at North Point, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			ft. ft. ft. ft.	ft. ft. ft. ft.	£	£
Main Lot.	18th June, 1903.	North Point.	80 200 200 16,000	800 800 800 800	£100	£100
	16th June, 1903.					

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			ft. ft. ft. ft.	ft. ft. ft. ft.	£	£
Kowloon Island No. 1.	18th Aug. 1903.	Tokwawan.	50 14 14 14	15,000 15,000 15,000 15,000	£100	£100

Hongkong, 24th August, 1903. [1029e]

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M. R. GEORGE ECKLEY has been appointed AGENCY DIRECTOR of the above Company and a Branch Office has been opened in the Hongkong Club Annex, Ground Floor, Chater Road.

By Order, BASIL H. BETTS,
Special Representative for
Hongkong, China and Japan.
Hongkong, 17th August, 1903. [1029e]

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THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

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Intimations.

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T. S. TAKAYANAGI,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 27th July, 1903. [1029e]

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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WM. McMURRAY,
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Hongkong, 20th March, 1903.

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THE Sanitary Board issued a blank plague return for today.

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THE Straits Government Gazette contains an order by H. M. the King regarding the minting and introduction of the new Straits dollar.

FOR being drunk and disorderly in the public street last night, Olaf Jacobson, an unemployed seaman, living at the Sailors' Home, had to pay \$3 fine or one week's imprisonment.

THE bacteriologist at Singapore is reported to be conducting a systematic examination of mosquito. So far he had only found 40 cases of infected mosquito out of 3,000 examined.

THREE months' hard labour, the last week to be spent in solitary confinement, was the sentence passed upon a native for stealing four jackets from a dwelling-house, No. 157, Flint Street yesterday.

THE Six-A-Side Competition of the Hongkong Football Club will shortly commence. Members desiring to participate should notify the Association, Captain Mr. J. A. C. Bonnar on or before September 5.

A CANTON dispatch reports that it was rumoured on the 22nd inst. that Viceroy Tse-tsin, accompanied by General Fêng Tze-tsai, has gained a great victory over a large body of rebels at Hsünchou, Kwangsi, and the rebel losses were over 3,000.

THE preservation of books in the tropics seems to be interesting to many people. The directions contributed to the Pharmaceutical Journal by Mr. Frank Browne, the Government Analyst, reproduced in a recent number of the Telegraph, appear also in the Malay Mail.

Fresh Kodak film, plenty of them, at LeMunyon's, 31, Des Vœux Road.—Advt.

UNLAWFULLY behaving in a disorderly manner at Tin Hau Temple, Causeway Bay, thereby damaging property to the value of \$1.70, was the charge against two native weavers, by the name of Pun Tak and Cheung Wai. At the Magistracy this morning by Mr. T. Sercombe Smith they were each fined \$1.50 and had to pay \$1.35 compensation.

An Ordinance is about to be introduced in the Singapore Legislative Council supplementing the Military Manoeuvres Ordinance of 1902 by enabling the Governor in Council permanently to set apart definite areas in the Colony, either for military manœuvres or firing exercises. Thus the military authorities will acquire a sort of "easement" over the lands, to perform military manœuvres or firing exercises whenever they choose.

THE following is the programme of music to be played by the Band of the 10th Bombay Light Infantry, on the New Parade Ground, on Monday next, the 31st instant, from 5 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

PROGRAMME.
March....."H.M.S. Campania".....Close Overture....."French Can-can".....Vela Buia Waltz....."Souire D'Avril".....Drapet Selection....."Floradora".....Stuart Lullaby....."Cradle Song".....Lange Intermission....."Giacinta Rusticana".....Mascagni God Save the King.

MESSRS. S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd., successfully launched from their Poutong Works on the 24th inst. the fourteenth revenue cruiser built to the order of the American government for service in Philippine waters. Promptly at 1.30 the launching signal was given by Mr. Mackenzie, manager, and as the vessel glided majestically down the ways, Miss Struve in a graceful manner performed the christening ceremony by breaking a bottle of champagne on the stem and waving success to the Mindoro. The vessel is a sister ship to the Mindao recently launched.

Mail your films and Kodak orders to LeMunyon, P. O. B. 368.—Advt.

THE weekly Topicist writes in the S. F. Press:

The Rev. Mr. Hardy of Hongkong, who appears to have made the sacred fire of the domestic altar his special study, and has published the results of his experiences in "How to be Happy though Married," has his imitators in the pulpit. But some of these rush rashly in where even a Hardy fears to tread. Probably, poor things, they are bachelors; but that hardly matters in the only profession which excludes one to teach that which one doesn't know oneself. The consistency of the policy will be at least admitted. This instance of clerical "didacticism" will tickle young matmas, or those ladies who have a reasonable expectation of acquiring that status.

Section 7. If any person shall carry, or cause to be carried, in or upon any vehicle, or otherwise, any domestic animal, in a cruel or inhuman manner, or knowingly or wilfully authorizes or permits the same to be subjected to unnecessary torture, suffering, or cruelty of any kind, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanour.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

INWARD parcels by a. Ballaaraal, are now ready for delivery.

A NEW seal for the use of the Sirris Government has been received from home.

AN article on the grandeur of melody by a banker and Tientsin notes by our correspondent appear on the third page.

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

One more chance to buy a Kodak for \$5; a good Kodak, LeMunyon, 31, Des Vœux Road.—Advt.

AN agreement between the Government and the Cunard Line, dated 20th July, has been laid on the table of the House of Commons, with a draft deed for securing debenture stock, and will be published shortly.

It is reported that the members of the Tibet Sikkim Mission have now all reached Khamtibong, but there are no signs yet of the proper representation of Tibet and China. Major Brotherton, who is in charge of the mission's transport arrangements, has left Darjeeling.

AT about 7.30 o'clock last night a celestial, having imbibed too freely of *samsu* took to the street and started an uproar. An Indian constable warned him to desist, but John paid no heed, and without further ado "Sam" with the aid of a lungkong marched him off to the lock up. At the Magistracy this morning he was fined \$1 or seven days' hard.

For entering a grocer's shop to buy some sugar, and leaving the premises with a Chinese woman's umbrella, was the charge preferred against a native lad. He was sentenced by Mr. T. Sercombe Smith at the Magistracy this morning to receive twelve strokes with the birch and to be retained twenty-four hours in gaol.

THE Royal Engineers' Variety Club is again giving performances in their pretty little theatre, Wellington Barracks, on the evenings of Saturday and Monday next, and undoubtedly, with the splendid programme arranged, they will again be patronized by their very many supporters, who now thoroughly appreciate the endeavours of "the men who do something all round."

INSPECTOR McDonald and company raided a gambling house at No. 35, Station Street, Yau-mai-ki, last night, and managed to arrest twelve natives who were squatting round tables playing at *paikow*. Before Mr. T. Sercombe Smith at the Magistracy this morning the twelve men were paraded in a row. The dealer and banker were fined \$3, or two months' each, and the remainder \$3 or seven days.

THE NEW P. & O. S.S. "PERA."

On July 23 the new twin-screw P. & O. steamer *Pera*, which Messrs. Workman, Clark and Co. (Ltd.), launched at Belfast last June, ran her speed trials in the Belfast Lough. The *Pera* is a finely modelled steamer, 495 ft. in length, with a tonnage of 7,600 gross and a deadweight carrying capacity of about 11,000 tons. The new steamer has been specially designed for the requirements of her owners' trade with the East. The *Pera* has two complete steel decks, all fore and aft, with poop, bridge, and top-gallant forecastle, the cargo space being divided into six spacious holds by steel bulkheads, extending the full depth of the vessel. A considerable amount of accommodation has been provided for saloon passengers, the state-rooms being ranged on each side of the vessel under the bridge deck. These rooms are large and commodious, and have been fitted up in the complete fashion characteristic of the P. & O. Company. Adjoining the entrance hall is the accommodation set apart for the use of the captain, and immediately above this is situated the chart-room and navigating deck, supplied with the necessary appliances for controlling a first-class modern steamship, including telegraphs to the engine-room, telephones to all parts of the ship, and telemotor controlling gear. The propelling machinery consists of two sets of triple-expansion engines of the latest type, and steel multi-tubular boilers capable of working at a pressure of 200 lb. per square inch, with forced draught. After a most successful trial trip and cruise the *Pera* left for London, to receive a cargo for her maiden voyage. During construction the vessel and her machinery have been under the supervision of Mr. G. Manuel and Mr. H. J. Taylor, the superintendents for the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company.—L. & C. Express.

THE general committee, of which the Duke of Argyll is president, formed to establish a Memorial to the late Sir Hector Macdonald, is receiving considerable support. The following letter has been received by the committee:—"Having ascertained that the subscriptions to General Sir Hector Macdonald Memorial Fund are likely to amount to about £4,000 within a fortnight, I take pleasure in informing you that my promised cheque for £1,000 will be placed at your disposal at that time. I also hereby renew my promise to send you a second £1,000 when your next £4,000 are subscribed. Yours very faithfully, (Si.) ned JOHN BANNON."

Subscriptions varying from one shilling to a hundred pounds have been received. The memorial is being enthusiastically supported by Scotsmen and the public generally in the "Britains over the Seas" as well at home.

At the Magistracy this morning before Mr. T. Sercombe Smith a native (21) was charged with stealing 26 taels from his uncle. It was alleged that, while at Canton, he asked his uncle for the loan of some money to proceed to some Coast port to start business. The uncle refused, and to his surprise a few days later found that his nephew had 26 taels from his trunk were missing. The nephew had proceeded to Hongkong and the matter got to the knowledge of the police and he was arrested.

He told the police that the money was given to him by his uncle, who was sent for. At the Magistracy this morning the uncle denied having given the money which, he said, belonged to his brother. He told His Worship that his nephew was a good and "ambitious" lad, and begged His Worship to release him. Mr. Sercombe Smith found the charge proven and sentenced the lad to four months' hard labour.

FURTHER evidence was again heard this afternoon before Mr. T. Sercombe Smith at the Magistracy, regarding the falling of the wall at Mui Kwai Lane. Mr. Oldewido Neves stated that he visited the building every other day, sometimes in the morning and sometimes in the afternoon. He knew the three contractors and overlooked their work continually. Mr. Haggard always accompanied him whenever he visited the buildings. The bondsmen were bad, but he did not report. He was there on the day after the wall fell. He knew the wall and thought Kung Cheong erected it to a height of two feet above the first floor. Boxim was the next man working at the wall and built it as far as four or five feet above the second floor. He thought Kung On laid the foundation. He said he was wrong if he said Boxim did not finish the wall. He did not know whether Boxim was at present employed in the Colony. His last visit to the wall was some time in September last. He then looked after some houses on Kennedy Road. Regarding the mortar he said it was of very inferior quality, and the bricks were soft. He reported it to Mr. Haggard who took no notice. At the time of our going to press the inquiry was proceeding.

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THE new dies with the King's head for Volunteer Long Service Medal have now reached India from England. The medals will be struck at the Calcutta Mint and will be issued as expeditiously as possible.

A PASSENGER who arrived here last night from Canton per the s.s. *Honam* informs us that at about half past six yesterday evening, when the steamer was leaving Canton the body of a native woman was seen floating down the stream.

Li-Po and Wong Pan-wah, passengers per the river steamer *Hankow* yesterday, as soon as the boat steamed alongside the wharf, got hold of another man's trunk and came ashore. On their way home they were arrested, and at the Magistracy

TELEGRAMS.

The "America" Cup.

THIRD RACE POSTPONED.

We are indebted to Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co. for the following telegram:

NEW YORK, 27th August.

No race; very light weather; postponed owing no wind. Will be re-sailed day after to-morrow (Saturday.)

(Reuters.)

The Near East.

LONDON, 26th August.

With reference to telegram No. 2182, dated London 23rd inst., it was announced in Bucharest that the Bulgarians and Greeks in Roumania had been ordered to return to their homes for the purpose of mobilisation, but there has been no Bulgarian or Greek announcement to that effect.

LATER.

The total number of Turks called out on a war footing in Macedonia is 350 battalions.

The Governor of Bombay.

Lord Lamington has been appointed Governor of Bombay.

The United States.

Mr. Elihu Root, Secretary of War, has resigned and is succeeded by Mr. Taft.

The Second Race for the "America" Cup.

The Shamrock was 2 minutes and 36 seconds late in starting, of which 36 seconds were disallowed according to rule.

(N. C. D. News.)

The Near East.

London, 21st August.

The Russian Embassy has explained to the Porte that the dispatch of the squadron was not a hostile demonstration, but was simply intended to hasten the acceptance and application of Russia's demands.

The Russian demands include the dismissal of various officials in Macedonia, and the reinstatement of others; the immediate appointment of Europeans to command the gendarmerie; and the liberation of prisoners arrested only on suspicion, or for giving information to the foreign Consuls.

The Discord in Macedonia.

London, 21st August.

Greece has appealed to the Powers to put an end to the excesses in Macedonia, from which the Greeks are the greatest sufferers.

London, 24th August.

The Russian demands on the Porte have already been executed. They include the reprimanding of Ilmni Pasha, the Inspector-General of Macedonia.

The Turkish Grand-Vizier is going to Macedonia on a tour of inspection.

The War in Nigeria.

London, 22nd August.

Burmi was the last stronghold of the Sultans of Sokoto, and its fall completes the destruction of the great Mahomedan empire of Nigeria, and has established British rule over a vast territory.

The British Minister.

Peking, 22nd August.

Sir Ernest Satow, G.C.M.G., arrived here yesterday evening.

(Manila Cablenews.)

Bishop for Cebu.

New York, August 24th.

The Rev. Father Hendrick has been consecrated Bishop of Cebu. He will shortly leave for the seat of his future labours.

Pearl Harbour Works.

Honolulu, August 22nd.

The figures of the estimated cost of finishing the constructive work at Pearl Harbour are placed at \$15,000,000. The work is progressing but will not be finished for several years.

The Storm in Jamaica.

Kingston, Jamaica, August 22.

The havoc wrought here by the recent frightful storm has impelled the administration of Jamaica to ask for aid from the British Government. Several millions of dollars are needed to relieve agricultural distress and afford the natives a chance to work again in the fields.

Sir Augustus Hemming, the Governor of Jamaica, has forwarded an urgent appeal for aid.

New German Minister.

Berlin, 24th August.

Baron von Stengle is the new Minister of the Treasury. He is a distinguished financier.

The Steel Trust.

Berlin, 24th August.

The Krupps have announced that they will fight the Steel Trust's encroachment on their trade in Europe.

TYphoon Warning.

General Edw. S. Bragg, U. S. Consul-General, kindly forwards the following copy of a telegram which he received from Manila to-day:

Manila Observatory, August 28th, 9 o'clock a.m.

Typhoon off the east coast Luzon probably between parallels 16 and 17.

Rat Return.

At the Sanitary Board meeting yesterday afternoon returns were submitted showing that, during the fortnight ended 24th August, 597 rats were caught of which 16 were infected.

The President said this great diminution in the numbers was due to the new system only just started, and he hoped that in a few weeks they would find the numbers still higher. The high percentage showed that the supposition that rats were being introduced into the Colony was correct.

A SK for ASAHI JAPANESE BEER.—
G. Girault.

A COLLISION IN THE YANGTZE.

There was a collision in the Yangtze, near the Liemore Light, early on Sunday morning, between the British ship *Dundee* and the well-known Japanese cruiser *Nanwa Kan*, reports the *N. C. D. News*. The former vessel was anchored with only one anchor between Tsungming island and the right bank of the Yangtze, a little to the east of north of the Red River, while the *Nanwa Kan* was anchored to the north-east of the Red River, and towards the Pootung shore. The wind was south at the time and the tide ebb. The strong current of the Yangtze caused the *Dundee* to drag, and she drifted down on top of the *Nanwa Kan*, whose port cable parted, and the two vessels drifted down the river for some distance on the Pootung shore locked together, until the *Nanwa Kan*'s anchor held again and the *Dundee* drifted clear of her. Very little damage was done to either vessel, the *Nanwa Kan* losing her port bow anchor with 25 fathoms of cable, which are now being dredged for, and having some of the deck fittings along her starboard side carried away or damaged. The cable of the *Dundee*, too, touched the *Nanwa Kan*'s starboard propeller, and it will of course be examined, but the hull of the *Nanwa Kan* was not touched, and it will not take long to replace the davits, stanchions, accommodation ladder, leadsmen's stand, etc., that were damaged or carried away.

ANOTHER RUSSO-CHINESE CONVENTION.

The *Kokumin*'s Peking correspondent gives the following as the text of the latest Russo-Chinese Convention. According to the *Jiji*'s correspondent, it is a mere fabrication of the Russians who wish to make the Chinese believe that all the efforts of Japan against Russia are in vain:

Art. 1.—The appointment and dismissal of the Governor-General, Chief Military Commanders, Tao-tis, and Prefects in Manchuria, shall be determined on consultation between the Chinese Government and the Russian Minister to China, and the Chinese troops stationed in the Three Eastern Provinces shall be placed under the control of the said Russian Minister. In case banditti make their appearance in Manchuria, the Chinese troops shall be made to suppress them, and if they are unable to accomplish that work Iussia shall dispatch troops to help them.

Art. 2.—At Russo-Chinese market towns in Manchuria the trade with people of any other nation shall be foridden; moreover the working of the mines in Manchuria shall also be forbidden to the subjects of any other Power.

Art. 3.—The Customs in Manchuria shall be under the joint control of China and Russia. The railways in the same district shall, on mutual and special agreement between the parties concerned, revert to Chinese ownership after the lapse of 20 years from the date of the signing of the Treaty. No third party shall be allowed to own or work the railways.

Art. 4.—Telegraph and postal affairs in Manchuria shall be solely managed by the commissioners of Russia and China, and in case they have committed any mistake in the discharge of their duties the matter shall be dealt with by the Russian Minister.

The writer therefore insists especially on his previous statement, that fibre produced in a regular plantation will be infinitely superior to the product of the national labour or the national indolence of the Filipinos. Plantations worked after the methods of the Ceylon and the Assam tea planter, Java coffee, Sumatra and Borneo tobacco plantations are impossible in the Philippines and hundreds of square miles of the former plantations belonging to erstwhile rich owners are laying waste. The intelligent native has raised his standard of life and pretensions at the ratio of the old Spanish peso to the American gold dollar. He used to sleep and loaf half his life in old times and scarcely ever wakes to any kind of work now. Even the tremendous profit of hemp growing is disappearing before such a complete Utopian life.

Formerly, the owner gave his working men the value of half the hemp extracted as a price for the work of extraction. Now even to persuade a man to do a good day's work, when he can get an Eagle dollar for sea duty any to l.

The planting of abaca requires very little labour. It is more a matter of time and patience than of intelligence and heavy expenses. All there is to be done is:

Clearing and burning jungle, planting the young shoots, which in old plantations issue in enormous numbers and, during about one and a half years, keep the plantation moderately clean.

After that time the enormous leaves of this banana tree overshadow the soil and choke all herbs, while the roots extend to a depth of nearly two feet and spread over almost all the soil, leaving no food for any other plant. All writers on the Philippines declare, that the development of a plantation from young shoots requires three years and from seeds, for the hemp, banana carries, like all wild growing plants, many seeds, at least four years.

The writer has his doubts about this statement and inscribes the slow growth to the slow and much interrupted work of the native. Anyone interested in banana growing can take the proof himself and will find that a single shoot planted in the ground at the end of a year has become a full grown tree with at least a couple of shoots, and after the second year, a whole cluster of stems will have been formed. The fact is, that

Suanlambo plantation (Sandakan Bay, B. N. Borneo) had a perfectly developed banana field of about 60 acres exactly two years after the first start. The photos taken at that time do not admit of the slightest doubt on that score.

Two years, therefore, must be considered a minimum of time required for the outlaying of a hemp plantation. Three to six months are to be added for the time required by cutting

down the jungle, building houses and laying out the fields and roads, drainage, etc. A

manager with one assistant add about 120 coolies can easily perform all the work required and decorate at the same time the ripe stems amounting to at least one, but probably to three or four trees per cluster, i.e., about 700 to 1,000 plants per acre. Left to themselves the plants produce clusters of twelve to fifteen trees in about three years (Jagor). It is, however, better

ABACA: THE PHILIPPINE STAPLE INDUSTRY.

(Specially written for the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

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"Left to himself the native cuts the plant at any time of maturity. When he is hard pressed for a dollar or two, he strips a few petioles, leaving them for days exposed to rain and atmosphere to soften and render easier the drawing of the fibre in which pectification has commenced. The result is prejudicial to the dealer and the plantation owner, because the fibre discolors" (and weakens.—F.M.J.S.). "Then he passes the base under a *toothed* knife, which is easy to work" (and spoils the fibre more.—F.M.J.S.), and goes down to the village with his bundle of discoloured, coarse fibre with a certain amount of dried sap on it to increase the weight. He chooses night for the delivery; firstly, because the acapitador (buyer, compradore) may be deceived in the colour, upon which depends the selection of quality; and, secondly, in order that the fibre, absorbing the dew, may be heavier. These are the tricks of trade well known to the native."

The writer may complete Mr. Foreman's experiences with the remark, that the dear innocent creature, as a rule, feels much too tired to do the rough work of stripping the stem and puts most of that business off on benevolent mother Nature. He simply cuts the leaves off and suspends the stem from a low jungle tree until it has got sufficiently rotten, to make the stripping a child's play.

No wonder, therefore, that the native, who in a week's work can earn 4/- without overstraining himself, remains a hopeless pauper. Also it seems pretty reasonable, that the quality of the fibre is decreasing at the same rate as the self-esteem of the Filipino increases. As an American citizen he is, of course, a different man from the former Spanish subject (2nd class) and he feels considerably more as a gentleman far exalted above all humble toil.

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Crown of Arragon, Br. s.s., 1,474, Dorward, 27th Aug.—Foochow 25th Aug., Tea—Gilmep & Co.	S. T. & Co.	S. T. & Co.	Aug. 30
Lothian, Br. s.s., 1,474, Dorward, 27th Aug.—Foochow 25th Aug., Tea—Gilmep & Co.	J. M. & Co.	J. M. & Co.	Aug. 31
Lyra, Am. s.s., 3,516, Williams, 27th Aug.—Seattle 26th July, Gen.—D. & Co., Ltd.	M. & Co., ...	M. & Co., ...	Sept. 1
Valentia, Br. s.s., 1,000, Palmer, 28th Aug.—Shanghai 25th Aug., Mails and Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.	P. M. Co., ...	P. M. Co., ...	Sept. 4
Progress, Ger. s.s., 647, Bremer, 28th Aug.—Tourane 26th Aug., Gen.—S. & Co.	C. P. R. Co.	C. P. R. Co.	Sept. 8
Coptic, V. & S., 1,213, Frampton, 28th Aug.—Singapore 21st Aug., Gen.—Heng Seng Cheang.	O. & O. Co.	O. & O. Co.	Sept. 16
Haiching, Br. s.s., 1,267, Plassmeyer, 28th Aug.—Foochow 25th Aug., Amoy 26th, and Swatow 27th, Gen.—D. L. & Co.	P. M. Co., ...	P. M. Co., ...	Sept. 23

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Hygeia	at Kowloon Dock.
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Tai-...	"
Lightning	"
Kaiyan	"
U.S.A.T. Sumner	" Cosmopolitan
Helen Wyman	"
Changsha	"
Rubi	"
Chowfa	"
Tafu	"

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STEAMERS.	
Baron Driesen, R. s.s., 1,973, Plazing, 27th Aug.—Anony 27th Aug., Gen.—S. T. & Co.	
Changsha, Br. s.s., 1,463, Moore, 17th Aug.—Sydney 22nd July, and Manila 15th Aug., Gen.—B. & S.	
Chowfa, Ger. s.s., 1,055, Kohler, 23rd Aug.—Bangkok 17th Aug., Rice, Wood and Gen.—B. & S.	
Claverhill, Br. s.s., 1,029, Seld-n, 11th Aug.—Cardiff 23rd June, Fuel.—Admiralty.	
Daphne, Ger. s.s., 1,209, Schipper, 24th Aug.—Sourabaya 15th Aug., Sugar and Ground-nuts.—E. A. T. Co.	
Deric, Br. s.s., 4,975, Smith, R. N. R., 19th Aug.—San Francisco 23rd July, via Honolulu 29th, Yokohama 1st Aug., Kobe 12th, Nagasaki 14th, and Shanghai (Woosung) 17th, Mails and Gen.—O. & O. S. C. Co.	
Dott, Nor. s.s., 610, Gemre, 24th Aug.—Bangkok 16th Aug., Rice.—Kin Tye Lung, Elgy, Norv. s.s., 708, Christoperson, 26th Aug.—Moj 19th Aug., Coal.—C. & Co.	
Hupeh, Br. s.s., 1,204, Mathais, 21st Aug.—Canton 24th Aug., Gen.—B. & S.	
Kisagata Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,740, Yoshihira, 25th Aug.—Kantzu 18th Aug., Gen.—D. & Co., Ltd.	
Swatow, Chefoo and Tientsin—Per Kwei-yang, 29th inst., 4 P.M.	
Gensan, Nagasaki and Vladivostock—Per Savaia, 29th inst., 4 P.M.	
Yokohama and Kobe—Per Sambia, 29th inst., 5 P.M.	
Macao—Per Wincing, 29th inst., 5 P.M.	
Shanghai—Per Waikang, 29th inst., 3 P.M.	
Singapore and Penang—Per Biron Driesen, 29th inst., 3 P.M.	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Hatchling, 29th inst., 5 P.M.	
Singapore and Penang—Per Merionethshire, 29th inst., 5 P.M.	
Canton—Per Powan, 30th inst., 9 A.M.	
Macao—Per Wincing, 30th inst., 9 A.M.	
Sanbuie, 31st inst., 9 A.M.	
Namtao—Per Taichun, 30th inst., 9 A.M.	
Kumchuk and Samshui—Per Tungkong, 30th inst., 9 A.M.	
Shanghai, Chemulpo, Daley and Port Arthur—Per Sulbury, 31st inst., 11 A.M.	
Macao—Per Hengshan, 31st inst., 1,15 P.M.	
Tientsin—Per Wosang, 31st inst., 3 P.M.	
Cebu and Iloilo—Per Perla, 31st inst., 3 P.M.	
Dynamack, R.A., Lieut. A. Pollock, K.C. H. E. Ferrier, Col. and Mrs. Pratt, R.A., Major and G.H.	
Fuchs, A.	
Gibson, Dr. Robert	
Gordan, G. C. Lindsay	
Hamilton, Major A. B.	
Hausser, Mr.	
Hawke, F. T. Baines	
Hibbe, F.	
Jeffries, H. U.	
Jones, Mr. and Mrs. P.	
Thompson, Capt. N. G.	
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Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. W. G.	
Rumsey, R. N. Hon. R. Murray	
Sawer, Mrs. W. E.	
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Sinclair, A.	
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Voor, R. T. R. Mr. Lambkin, Miss.	
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Wilford, F. C.	
Wolfsen, Mrs. J. W.	

Shipping Reports.

Str. *Crown of Arragon* from Foochow:—Light S.E. and Ely winds, smooth sea, and much rain.

Str. *Chesterfield* from Singapore:—Light S.W. and S.E. winds, fine weather, with occasional rain squalls.

Str. *Eastern* from Sydney:—Left there on the 5th inst., called at usual Queensland ports, Port Darwin, Timor, and Manila; having fine weather throughout passage, arrived at Hongkong on the 27th.

Str. *Hatching* from Foochow:—There to Amoy light winds and cloudy weather, slowly approaching Amoy; there to Swatow light winds and cloudy weather, with Ely swell; Swatow to Hongkong light Ely winds and cloudy weather with occasional showers.

Ships Passed The Canal.

Outward—27th July—Abysinia, 24th July—Banmoh, Pine, Achilles, 27th July—Auchenarden, 28th July—Comerio, 1st August—Glaucus, 5th August—Oanza, Tibergien, 8th August—Idomenes, Detraction, 12th August—Borneo, Fairlie, Zieten, Regina, 14th August—Agamemnon, Australis, Brisgayo, Lennox, Simla, Manila, Glenesk, Wuscan Maru, 19th August—Benlawers, Indramayo, Greisburg, Samoon, St. Villans, 21st August—Bentonford, Java, Jason, 25th August—Ceylon, Glesnial.

Homeward—24th July—Annua, 12th August—Araru, 14th August—Amanu, 12th August—Antenor, Marburg, 12th August—Strassburg, 28th August—Canton, 14th August—Italon, Kawachi Maru, Nubia, 19th August—Hudson, Alcinous, Deuteron, Ernest Simons, Flintshire, 21st August—Bingo Maru, 25th August—Kostrona, Polynesien, Glenfarg, Suevia, Hamburg, Vindobona.

Post Office.

A Mail will close for:—Chefoo and Newchwang—Per Thea, 29th inst., 8 A.M.

Manila—Per Zafiro, 29th inst., 9 A.M.

Swatow and Bangkok—Per Pitsanulok, 29th inst., 9 A.M.

Canton—Per Kinshan, 29th inst., 9,30 A.M.

Singapore, Sourabaya and Samarang—Per Onsan, 29th inst., 10 A.M.

Bangkok—Per P. C. Kao, 29th inst., 10 A.M.

Europe, &c., India, via Tuitcorin—Per Peleto, 29th inst., 11 A.M.

Macao—Per Hengshan, 29th inst., 1,15 P.M.

Shanghai—Per Waikang, 29th inst., 3 P.M.

Singapore and Penang—Per Biron Driesen, 29th inst., 3 P.M.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Hatchling, 29th inst., 5 P.M.

Singapore and Penang—Per Merionethshire, 29th inst., 5 P.M.

Canton—Per Powan, 30th inst., 9 A.M.

Macao—Per Wincing, 30th inst., 9 A.M.

Sanbuie, 31st inst., 9 A.M.

Namtao—Per Taichun, 30th inst., 9 A.M.

Kumchuk and Samshui—Per Tungkong, 30th inst., 9 A.M.

Shanghai, Chemulpo, Daley and Port Arthur—Per Sulbury, 31st inst., 11 A.M.

Macao—Per Hengshan, 31st inst., 1,15 P.M.

Tientsin—Per Wosang, 31st inst., 3 P.M.

Cebu and Iloilo—Per Perla, 31st inst., 3 P.M.

Ningpo and Shanghai—Per Ichang, 31st inst., 4 P.M.

Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Lighting, 31st Sept., 10 A.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Doria, 1st Sept., 11 A.M.

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Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Empress of Japan, 23rd Sept., 11 A.M.

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